

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2736 - HB 2918

February 23, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL: Provides that the decisions to sequester a jury in criminal cases, except in capital cases, would be left to the sole discretion of the judge. Under current law, if either the defense or the prosecution requests sequestration, the jury is sequestered.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Expenditures - Less Than \$100,000

Decrease Local Govt. Expenditures - Less Than \$100,000

Assumes some reduction in jury sequestration by limiting the decision to the judge. Such reduction is estimated to result in a decrease in state and local government expenditures for sequestering jurors of less than \$100,000 for each.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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